Remarks

Support for new claims 35-100 sought to be entered can be found throughout the specification. Specifically, support for the new claims may be found in the specification at pages 6-8, 18-31 and throughout the Examples and in the Figures. Accordingly, the foregoing amendments to the claims do not add new matter; their entry and consideration are therefore respectfully requested.

Applicants believe that the present application is now in condition for examination. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of the foregoing amendments, and entry of the same into the present application, are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX P.L.L.C.

Brian J. Del Buono

Attorney for Applicants

Registration No. 42,473

Date: May + 1002

1100 New York Avenue, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20005-3934

(202) 371-2600

#11083v2<SKGF_DC1> -0942.285-I; suppl. prelim. amd. 05-07-02.wpd

HARTLEY *et al.* Appl. No.: 10/058,291

Version with markings to show changes made

- 12 -

In the Claims:

Claim 1 is cancelled, without prejudice or disclaimer.

New claims 35-100 are sought to be entered.